

Semester 1 CPE Program: 5 February – 18 June 2026

This CPE unit will have 20 education days, starting on Thursday 5 February and concluding with a graduation on Thursday 18 June 2026. Participants are required to attend 18 of the 20 education program days, including the Mid-Semester and Final Evaluations. Participants will be assessed on their ability to participate thoughtfully and feelingly in seminars and group discussions in addition to written work.

CPE Seminar and Conference Times

Our Centre values working with four to six participants, the Centre Director (Graeme), Provisional Clinical Pastoral Educator (Carolyn) and Consultant - Administrator (Jennifer); not all of whom will work in each unit. Each group member will present one My World in Pictures (MWIP), at least five Clinical Seminar (CS) reminiscent verbatim reports, one Stories from My Life (S FML) and a Mid-Term (MTE) and Final Evaluation (FE). Plan to set aside a six-hour day. The day will commence at 8.30am Eastern Summertime and conclude about 2.30 pm. This CPE Unit provides a minimum of 90 hours of group supervision. The weekly session includes Morning Prayer led by participants in turn, Brave Space led by the Centre Director and Consultant and the two or three Clinical Seminars led by your individual supervisor. The day concludes with a fifteen-minute Administration Meeting. The Clinical Seminars (CS) run for 70 minutes. Morning prayer is twenty-five minutes. Approximately every second week, you will be provided with a 50-minute individual conference. This will be scheduled on a day and time that suits you and your supervisor. We suggest you walk away from your computer at least every 70 minutes, hydrate and eat breakfast and lunch.

On the CPE Unit first day of induction and orientation, Week 11 (when Mid-Semester Evaluations are presented) and Week 19 (when Final Evaluations are presented) depending on the number in the group you need to plan **for an eight-hour day**. Every day of the course will include a 30-minute coffee break at 10am and some weeks an additional 30-minute lunch break.

Application Form

<http://banyuleuc.org.au/connecting-with-community/cpe/>

Application

Complete all sections of the application form and return it to the Program Administrator, Jennifer Gibbons at jennifergibbonsoam@gmail.com

Selection Interview

Initial interviews to select up to six participants will be scheduled by Zoom between Monday 24 Nov and Friday 28 Nov 2025.

Cost: CPE Fee in 2026 is \$2,500

Ten hours of individual Clinical Supervision and 90 hours of small group Clinical Supervision is great value for the fees charged.

No bursaries are currently available for this unit.

If you are enrolled in a University award course, you may be eligible for Fee Help. Please check the [Assist](#) website for further information or contact the CPE Centre Administrator (Jennifer Gibbons) or the Registrar of your college.

Accreditation of CPE

On successful completion of the unit, participants will receive an ASACPEV Inc./Banyule Network of Uniting Churches Certificate issued and signed by the Centre Director and your Supervisor. If you are undertaking a University of Divinity course and have enrolled in CPE as part of this course, then the Certificate will be recognised by the University of Divinity as evidence of successful completion of your CPE unit.

University of Divinity Credit

A CPE program can be credited as a subject for many awards with teaching institutions associated with the University of Divinity and other theological colleges that provide education accredited by universities. Should this CPE unit be claimed for credit with the University of Divinity, the tuition fee will be set by the University.

For Further Information

Please email or phone Jennifer Gibbons at jennifergibbonsoam@gmail.com or 0418 318 589.



CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION CENTRE



Graeme



Jennifer



Carolyn

**Thursday 5 February –
Thursday 18 June 2026
20-week part-time
CPE Program**

Why this CPE Unit?

The 2020 - 2022 worldwide COVID-19 pandemic opened new ways of work, including new directions for universities and for Clinical Pastoral Education. The Banyule Network of Uniting Churches CPE Centre is now committed to offering CPE to ministers working in settlements distant from traditional CPE Centres, which are typically based in large city hospitals.

Pastoral care ministry is a complex career, not entirely learned in large classrooms or by reading theory. The new work required to competently provide care for parishioners, patients, students, prisoners and aged care residents is best addressed in small group education and with competent clinical supervision.

The finer and more subtle points of helping wounded people experience grace, and learning how to survive and be creative in the anxiety, anger, and shame triggered by some of those we meet, are best learnt while working where you are employed and as part of a small peer group.

This CPE unit ensures that ministers, pastoral practitioners and priests can continue their vital ministry while receiving the peer and supervisory feedback necessary for continuing professional development.

Selection

The Selection Committee for this unit of CPE will prioritise applicants who currently work as a church minister. Pastoral practitioner or chaplain in a school, hospital, university, defence force, mental health agency or aged care facility. We particularly welcome applications from those who do not wish to spend hours commuting to a CPE centre.

If you have completed a foundational CPE unit during your theological studies, you may be eligible to undertake a CPE specialist unit as part of a University of Divinity award. Graeme's postgraduate education in theology, psychology, psychotherapy and supervision will help you identify a specialist area of study you can tackle in your current placement.

Individual Supervision

Ten hours of individual supervision, spread over the length of the CPE program, will be provided by Graeme Gibbons, an experienced Clinical Pastoral Educator, accredited by the Association for Supervised and Clinical Pastoral Education in Victoria Inc. (ASACPEV Inc.).

Graeme is also a registered Psychologist who has additional education as a Clinical Psychoanalytical Self Psychologist and as an Educational Psychologist.

Supervision at Banyule CPE Centre

Over the past 18 years, Graeme Gibbons has worked hard to develop his Empathink Model of Clinical Pastoral Supervision. The Empathink model avoids reaction-based countertransference in response to transferences. Countertransference in supervision hurts and wounds the supervisee and eventually wounds patients and parishioners. His approach changes the supervisory posture of clinical pastoral supervisors from optimum frustration and reactivity to a stance of optimal responsiveness through mirroring, understanding the other through twinship, and silent uninterpreted idealisation.

The Banyule CPE Centre Focus

The Banyule CPE Centre emphasises a holistic approach to caregiving, which has been known over the past century as pastoral care or pastoral ministry. In the year 2025 the world celebrated the pioneering work of Anton Boisen, a Christian minister who knew from his own experience the dark and disturbed side of his soul and how this effected his body and mind. In the process of recovery, he believed that further healing could eventuate if he helped other ministers and theological students to learn theology from living human documents.

The Banyule CPE Centre unashamedly reminds those who study CPE in this Centre to reread the first two questions and answers found in the Westminster Shorter Catechism. The first: What is the chief end of humanity? Answer: Humanity's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy God for ever.

The second: What rule has God given to direct us for how, in CPE, we may glorify and enjoy God? Answer: Listen deeply and help those you supervise to even listen more deeply than they do. Our Aboriginal sisters and brothers call this deep listening, Dadirri listening.

ANZACPE affiliated CPE courses are offered in Australia and in New Zealand. You may apply for CPE outside the state in which you reside, however, ANZACPE would like to ensure applicants are aware of the local CPE options as well. Please see the following websites for information about CPE in your area: -

New Zealand	https://www.cpe-nz.org.nz
Queensland	https://qjCPEcom
NSW	https://nswcCPEedu.au
Victoria	https://www.asacpev.org.au
Tasmania	http://www.taspe.com.au
Western Australia	https://www.acpewa.org
SA and NT	https://santaCPEcom/santacpe/

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